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Why did the Spaniards begin importing African slaves?

African slaves were imported to meet the Spaniards' labor needs, especially as the Indian population had been decimated by disease and overwork.

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Who were the PENINSULARES?

The PENINSULARES were natives of Spain who were ranked at the top of New Spain's rigidly stratified society.

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_____ were individuals of Spanish parentage who had been born in the New World.

Creoles

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Why did the English colonists enjoy a greater degree of freedom from government interference?

English colonizing efforts were supported by private, rather than government, funds.

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What is the oldest city in North America?

St Augustine, Florida

What colony was founded by Sir Walter Raleigh? What happened to this colony?

1. Roanoke Island 2. The colony was deserted. No one knows what happened to the colonists

List three reasons why English interest in American colonization subsided after the Roanoke experiment failed.

1. England was hampered by a war with Spain 2. Inadequate financial resources 3. Unrealistic expectation for colonizing the New World

What was Great Britain's first permanent settlement in the New World? What happened to this colony?

Jamestown, VA. Suffered from disease due to the swampy environment. During "starving time" many colonists died because settlers were looking for wealth instead of planting.

How was Jamestown saved?

When John Smith arrived, he required all those that wished to eat, to work. Later on, John Rolfe introduced better farming techniques for growing tobacco, which became the backbone of the Virginian economy.

What and who were indentured servants? What was the headright system?

1. Indentured servants were people who exchanged the labor for passage to the New World. 2. The headright system gave grants of lands in the New World to those who paid the passage of indentured servants.

